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Block Quotes

Sunday, October 29, 2006

-- Islamist MP Khdhair Al-Enezi penned in progressive Arabic daily Al-Qabas under the title "Bitter Reality" (10/29):

"None of the Americans' promises in Iraq have materialized. They promised us democracy and humanitarian society after the ouster of dictatorship. So far we have only the dictatorship of parties and sects that will apparently end up dividing this Arab country according to ethnic origins and sect. The Mecca Convention will not end the bloodbath as there are those who fuel grudges in Iraq and those who settle accounts in lands that are not theirs."

-- Salafi Dr. Fahd Al-Khanna commented in moderate Arabic daily Al-Watan under the title "Terrorism Prevailed" (10/29):

"The second victory by terror against America and the West is the growth of discord and enmity between the East and West. These are fuelled by Bush's statements on Islamic Fascism and comments by the Vatican on Islam and the Prophet Mohammed."

-- Liberal columnist Sami Al-Nisif editorialized in moderate Arabic daily Al-Anbaa under the title "With Iran and Against Its Policies" (10/29):

"Any military strike by coalition warplanes to weaken Iran's military capability may lead to splitting the Iranian subcontinent, which is made up of ethnic and sectarian minorities who have suffered persecution under the Shah's rule and who suffer from the Iranian governments' involvement in successive crises and wars. He who does not learn from the mistakes of others will certainly learn from his own."

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